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This Week.

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A Grand Social.

Last Monday night, January 22nd No. 916 St. John St. was the scene of a grand social entertainment given by Misses Mary Monroe and Hannah Johnson. About 9:30 many bright faces put in their appearance, after which social chit and other enjoyments were indulged in until a late hour. At 12:30 a fine repast was served the visiting guest, at which every one feasted sumptuously.

The following ladies and gentlemen were present: Misses Clara Harris, Eleanor Taylor, Willie Wilson, Mary Robinson, Ophelia James, Lelia Green, from Emma Liggins, Mary Chase, Martha Williams, Charlotte Briggs, Martha Wilson, Mary Monroe, Fannie Tinsley, Mattie Tinsley, Hannah Johnson, Martha Crump, Maria Mont, Emma Kyle, Lizette Minor, Mrs. Mary Jackson, and Messrs. John Braxton, John Wilson, Charles Lemus, Pless, Lemus, William Willis, William Finkendler, Willie Baker, James Tucker, Thomas Tucker, Roger Kyles, George Tinsley, Simon Robinson, John Wallace, Robert Monroe, Robert Nelson, and W. A. Kyles. It was not until an early hour in the morning when the merry guests left for their homes. Music was furnished by Messrs. Fletcher, Harris, Miller, Mason, Price and others.

Week of Prayer at First Bapt. Church.

Sunday, Jan. 28th, sermon by Prof. J. E. Jones, D. D., "The Y. P. S. C. E. pledge."

Monday, Brother M. L. Harvey, leader, subject—How to Pray. Jas. 5: 16-18.

Tuesday, Mrs. R. D. Bower, leader, subject—How can we find God? Luke 11:9-13.

Wednesday, Bro. J. H. Fauntleroy and W. H. Stokes, subject—Praying for souls. Prov. 1:1-3.

Thursday, Miss Elia Williams, leader, subject—Faith in Christ. Rom. 8:22.

Friday, Miss K. G. Randolph, leader, subject—The danger of becoming hard-hearted. Mark 16:7-8.

Saturday, Rev. Jas. H. Holmes, leader, Sunday meeting.

All are welcome. Bring some one with you. Meeting from 7:30 to 9 p. m.

Why She Did Not Sing.

Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 23, 1894.

EDITOR OF PLANET.—Will you kindly permit me to say to your many readers in Lynchburg that on Jan. 20th I received from E. W. Vaughan, telegraph saying, "Can't get Hall. Don't come." Mrs. Flora Batson Bergen would have sung in Lynchburg, Jan. 22nd, had Mr. Vaughan kept his contract.

J. G. Bunker, Manager.

W. H. BONAPARTE WEDS.

A Happy Re-union.

W. H. Bonaparte, who has been recently pardoned out of the Virginia penitentiary was married again to his former wife, Miss Lee.

It will be remembered she obtained a divorce from him upon his incarceration. The couple have our best wishes for their future success.

SMITH—Died in Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 8, 94, James H. Smith, beloved husband of Barbara A. Smith, nee Burnley, in the 31st year of his age. He leaves a devoted wife, mother, three brothers and one sister to mourn their loss.

He was a member of the 4th Bapt. Church for four years from which his funeral took place, Jan. 12th, Rev. Evans Payne officiating. He was a member of Lincoln Beneficial Co., No. 1. The casket was clothed in heavy silver mounted handles, furnished by Thos. W. Allmond & Son of Philadelphia, Pa.

Dearest husband thou hast left us, We our loss most deeply feel; But 'tis God who hath bereft us, He can all our sorrows heal.



No Matter What You Say.
BY W. F. FORTWELL.

Our girls don't always have short hair. No matter what you say. Nor do they always say, "don't care." No matter what you say. "After the Ball" is not always sung. Sometimes a woman is not young. Occasionally she's not all tongue. No matter what you say. Teachers don't always live on air. No matter what you say. Sometimes they'll treat their students fair. No matter what you say. They don't play double all the time. For right they'll sometime fall in line. They think you will tell the truth sometimes. No matter what you say. The "left" don't always contest wills. No matter what you say. No people pay subscription bills. No matter what you say. Sometimes the pastor will not drink. From other crimes he'll sometimes shrink. Our "back" leg" preachers sometimes think. No matter what you say. The strong won't always crush the weak. No matter what you say. Not all the Senators will speak. No matter what you say. "Smart" folks don't always know it all. Ignorance often hears a "call." Class leaders try to drink it all. No matter what you say.

—Salisbury, N. C., Livingstone.

Personals & Briefs.

—Miss Lizzie Burrell, of 1001 North Fourth St., has been indisposed for the past week.

—Mrs. Heskiah Curtis is out again.

—Have you paid the collector? Do not delay him. Pay up!

—The legislature has authorized the purchase of a thousand acres of land for a penitentiary farm. The present building is over-crowded and the death-rate is alarming.

—Mr. George W. Bragg of Farmville, Va., called on us.

—Mr. Thomas J. Jones of Newport News, Va., called on us this week.

—Boston has a colored undertaker in the person of Mr. Walter Banks.

—Mrs. C. E. Ferguson is out again attending to the city looking well.

—We shall offer a large number of prizes soon. Look out for the announce ment.

—Councilman Benj. Jackson is confined to his room. La Grippe has charge of him.

—"The World's Fair Photograph" is a fine work; ten cents each or five two cent stamps will secure it.

—For fine confectionaries, ice-cream for balls, parties, etc., call on Mr. Christopher Wilkerson. He will give you satisfaction.

—The plans for the colored armory building to be erected on the corner of St. Peter and Leigh Sts., will be perfected after March last.

—Mr. Chas. Jefferson, one of our famous young men of Manchester, who has been north for a long time has returned to the city looking well.

—The Second Baptist Church has been granted the privilege by Judge Lamb of the Chancery Court of borrowing \$1250 on the property in which they now worship.

—Yes, it was very sad, but Funeral Director A. Hayes performed his duties with such care and promptness that the family felt much relieved in not having any additional worry. See card.

—Bring your job work to the PLANET office. It will be cheaply and neatly executed. We have the largest newspaper and job printing plant owned and controlled by colored men in the United States. Phone, 935.

—Mr. R. B. Dodson, of Norfolk, sends us a prospectus for a daily paper which he proposes to publish there. We have long such venture in the United States, so far as our race is concerned and we wish him abundant success.

—Have you cut out the coupons and sent for the World's Fair Photograph? This is one of the greatest opportunities ever offered you. These are the only official photographs of that grand white city and we made it arrangements early so that our subscribers might have the benefit.

The Lion's Bride.

A most beautiful panorama, under the above caption was presented at the 5th St. Bapt. Church last Monday night, under the direction of Dr. J. K. Nickens. The doctor seems naturally gifted for the arduous task he has undertaken in this direction.

He must be accredited as being the only exhibitor to sojourn in this city for so long a time and meet with continual success. He has been in the city several weeks and has been greeted with packed houses, receiving the most hearty applause upon each presentation of his most beautiful editing scenes.

Fully a thousand persons witnessed this grand production last Monday night, and with perfect ease the doctor would take his audience from the mere laughter to bitter sadness, causing not a few to shed tears, and in an instant he would again sway them to and fro with the richest rithm, produced by his enchanting scenes.

By a unanimous vote of the large assemblage Dr. Nickens was requested to repeat the entertainment Monday night, 26th inst., which he good naturedly consented to do.

Every one should see this truly moral and instructive exhibition, since the price of admission (10 c.) is within the reach of all.

Prof. King, the ventriloquist wonder is very fine at this rare art, and is worthy of the highest commendation. He apparently sends his voice long distance away and appears to be conversing with some one outside of the building, whose voice in reply is distinctly and audibly understood by the audience.

I heard several say they had paid a higher price for a far inferior entertainment.

It is great! If you have not been, go! If you have been once, go again! You will be benefited.

WHO CAN FORGIVE SIN?

Rev. Z. D. Lewis Engages in the Discussion—He Attacks a Favorite Tenet of Catholicism—The Priesthood and its Functions.

MR. EDITOR:—Permit a few lines in reference to an article, appearing in your issue of the 13th inst., written by "A Catholic," whom, since no name was signed, I regard to be an untutored neophyte, endeavoring to revive some dead issues killed in the great Reformation. For those versed in Roman Catholicism have long since ceased, submitting their nefarious doctrines to the scrutiny of an intelligent public, as is evidenced by their discouragement of others than the priests to read God's word.

WHY HE REPLIES.

Perhaps I shall be considered rather forward in answering that little article of error since the thrusts therein were not aimed directly at me, but my only apology is, that I love the people and especially the flock over which the Holy Ghost has made me overseer, and going before them, as I endeavor to deliver, I pluck up and cast away every poisonous weed of error which if eaten by them may cause sickness and death. Without further apology, let us calmly consider Catholicism's argument upon the question, "Who can forgive sin?" He gives the following as his reason for believing that the man who has the power to forgive sins committed against the Creator, God, "What," says he, "hinders God from giving the power to forgive sins to men if He chooses to do so? If He could and did give power to men to raise the dead to life again, can He not also give the power to forgive sins to men if He chooses to do so? No reasonable man surely can deny this. "No," Catholicism, "I will not, I dare not question the power of God, for all things are possible with God. I would not question your reasoning at this point were it not so flagrantly fallacious. You argue that because God has the power to forgive sins, committed against him, how fallacious is absurd! To my mind your argument is a "non sequitur." You had as well argue that because God created this world, that He can, and has given men the power to create other worlds, and that because Peter had the power to raise Dorcas from the dead, he had power to forgive Simon's sin. But Peter, though having power to raise the dead, said to Simon: You must pray to God if you desire to have the sin of thine heart forgiven. See Acts 8:21-23.

THE APOSTOLIC COMMISSION.

"Let us notice," says he, "what the Bible says; in John 20:21-23 where you will find how Christ with impressive ceremonies gave a solemn commission to His priests to forgive sins, and He said to them, again, 'Peace be to you, and as the Father has sent Me, I also send you.' Be it remembered that this passage, like all others, must be interpreted in view of the whole scope and trend of revelation, and most especially according to the unfolding, and the execution of the plan of redemption. Otherwise there is imminent danger of a contradiction in the word of God, which is rightly impossible.

THE FUNCTIONS OF THE PRIESTS.

The fact that there was at the time of Christ's ascension no written gospel such as we now have, and that men and women were brought into the kingdom of God; and that they could be saved only upon the forgiveness of their sins, which forgiveness was bestowed in consideration of certain conditions, which conditions had been made known to his apostles. It was reasonable and also necessary that men should be entrusted with the duty of forgiving sins.

These were the apostles, the validity and authority of whose office should be attested by miracles and wonders. Mark 16:15-20.

THE APOSTOLIC AND PRIESTLY OFFICES NOT SIMILAR.

If the office and the authority of the priests of today are similar to that of the apostles, let them prove it by raising from the dead some of their mothers and fathers, sisters and brothers, and we will believe them. The true meaning of that passage is, that whoever sins ye declare or pronounce forgiven, in conformity to the conditions vs: repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, they shall be forgiven, and whoever sins ye declare unforgiven by virtue of a non-conformity to the conditions, they are unforgiven. We may here raise a few questions.

1. If the apostles were given power to forgive sins; pray tell us whose sins did they forgive? Peter did not have it else he would not have exhorted Simon to pray to God for forgiveness of his sin. We fail to find a single hint where he forgave the sins of one of those three thousand that were converted at his preaching. If the apostles were giving the power to forgive sin, they would have made more converts than they did.

NO AUTHORITY TO TRANSMIT THE POWER.

2. If the apostles had power to forgive sin, were they authorized to

A CATHOLIC PRIEST'S ASSERTIONS.

Is there a Priesthood in the Church of God?—The Rev. Mr. Wells Says There Is Not—The Bible Says There Is—Who Is Right?

While it is unquestionably true that the ancient sacrifices, and the ancient priesthood were abolished with the great sacrifice of Calvary, it is no less certain that Christ substituted for them a far more perfect sacrifice and priest-hood, of which the ancient priest-hood with its many sacrifices were but types and shadows.

Other important features of the church of Christ, this new sacrifice and priest-hood were eloquently foretold by the prophets long before Christ himself established both.

The coming of the coming of the Redeemer, God foretells by Isaiah, chapter 66: 18, 19, etc. "I will gather them together with all nations and tongues, and I will take of them to be priests and levites saith the Lord."

The same prophet says in another place, chapter 19:19: "In that day there shall be an ALTAR of the Lord, in the midst of the land of Israel."

That day, "Is the time after the coming of Christ, for the Jewish people were forbidden to offer sacrifice, anywhere except in Jerusalem. Now there is to be an ALTAR, there must be a sacrifice and a priest" to offer it; one without the other is incomplete; these terms are as intimately connected as "law, court, and judge."

By the prophet Malachi chapter 2:10, 11 God promises most solemnly and unconditionally that in place of the ancient, imperfect sacrifices there shall be offered to him every where a sacrifice, which he will accept. "Ye you O priests, have no pleasure in you saith the Lord of hosts, and I will not receive a gift at your hand. For from the rising of the sun even to the going down, my name is great among the Gentiles, and in every place there is sacrifice and blood is offered unto my name, a clean oblation." Explain this as you may; it is too clear to quibble about. It cannot mean the sacrifice of prayer, good works or that of the cross for obvious reasons. If then there is to be a sacrifice everywhere, there must be a priest to offer it, for as has been said already, one supposes the other.

Again, the priest-hood of the Christian church is clearly foretold in the priesthood of Christ himself. It was said: "Thou art a priest, according to the order of Melchisedec." The order of Melchisedec, he must also have offered a sacrifice in some way like his. Melchisedec we read in Gen. 14:18, 20, offered bread and wine and Christ offered a sacrifice of this order, not on the cross, but at the last supper where he offered himself and his blood for the remission of sins. Here then, and not on the cross, Christ showed himself as the priest according to the order of Melchisedec and at the same time made his apostles priests by telling them: "Do this in remembrance of me." That is to say: do the sacrifice which I have just done, and offer my body and blood under the appearance of bread and wine.

Uniting other passages for brevity's sake, one more may be quoted: "We have an ALTAR, whereof they have no power to eat who serve the tabernacle." Heb. 13:10.

If Christians according to St. Paul have an ALTAR, they must have a sacrifice and "priests" to offer it, for a priest according to the definition of the same apostle is one who is appointed to offer gifts and sacrifices.

And what is brought against all these explicit testimonies of the Bible? Nothing but the dimmy, worn out objection from St. Paul's epistle to the Hebrews.

One thing is certain: "God cannot contradict himself. When St. Paul affirms that Christ offered himself only 'once,' he means by suffering, blood shedding and death." For reading his epistle you will find that he compares Christ's oblation to the oblation of animal victims of the old law, which were slain by the real destruction of their animal life. In the Mass, the great sacrifice of the new law, there is nothing opposed to the teaching of St. Paul; in fact, there cannot be a more conspicuous witness to the Mass, that the apostle himself, "shows forth the Lord's death, until he come," that death, without which the Mass would have neither meaning nor an existence.

When the same apostle in chapter 9, seems to say that Christ is the only priest, the answer is obvious. Christ is called the only eternal high priest, just as he is also called our only teacher, etc. As therefore the right of Christ to teach does not exclude other teachers who speak for him and with his authority, so also his eternal priesthood excludes indeed "equal" priests, but in no way priests who act for him and in his name and whose priest-hood is a participation of his own.

It is plain then, without a shadow of doubt from the teaching of the Bible alone that in place of the ancient priest-hood, Christ instituted a new one whose principal office it is to offer the sacrifice often foretold by God and instituted by Christ himself.

I have the honor to sign myself, A PRIEST.

THE WHOLE TRUTH.

More Virginia Justice.

[Chicago, Ill. Conservator.]

There was comment in these columns last week over the case of W. H. Bonaparte, an educated young colored man who had served five years in prison because a white girl of unsavory reputation charged him with abduction. Reference has also been made repeatedly in these columns to the case of Isaac Jenkins, a Negro who has been sentenced to the hands of the mob and courts. He was hanged by a mob on the suspicion of house burning and a pistol ball fired into his body while he hung. The rope broke and he was left for dead. He revived and managed to walk 13 miles to Norfolk. Here he was arrested, and he was put in jail, his wounds neglected, and then tried on the charge for which the mob had already punished him. The prosecution failing to make out a case on that charge, he was again indicted for selling whiskey unlawfully and he lingers in jail awaiting a trial. Some of the would-be lynchers have been in the witness box against him, but no effort has been made to convict and punish any of them for attempted murder, although this would seem a greater crime than selling whiskey.

Once Jenkins is convicted and sentenced he will be discharged as a witness and will then be prevented from giving testimony necessary to the conviction of his would-be murderers whom he recognized in the mob.

The latest sample of "justice" meted out to Negroes in Virginia is furnished by that strong race journal, the RICHMOND PLANTER. It says: Gov. O'Perrall's first act of clemency was the commuting of the sentencing of Nelson Shores, a twelve year old colored boy from eight years in the penitentiary to eight months in jail.

He was sentenced during the July term of the Hustings Court of the city.

A child of a 12 year old boy, because he is black being sentenced to eight years in prison, and re-lit that this case is one of a great many where children of tender years are confined with hardened criminals, on the most trivial charges. Virginia is said to be among the best of the Southern States, yet here are three instances of the most flagrant miscarriage of justice, and it is due to the fearlessness of the PLANTER that we know of these. If it is so bad in Virginia what must it be in Alabama, Mississippi, Georgia and other southern states where race papers dare not speak of these things? And yet which were finally the only ones among Negro men urging the race to stay in such oppression and violence and outrage. So long as a people is content to endure such outrage, they will have to endure it. As Mr. Stead well says: "If you make it easier for us to walk over your dead, gentlemen, why we will do so."

John T. Chissell's Disabilities Removed.

The Governor removed the political disabilities of John T. Chissell, an old Negro paper carrier of Petersburg, who was convicted of petit larceny and fined \$5.

The office consisted in taking a copy of the Index Appeal. The Governor says that the evidence tended to show that the paper was appropriated more for the purpose of annoying a rival carrier than for the sake of gain.

A Colored Man's Awful Fate.

The body of the colored man found in Fender county, N. C. half eaten by animals is ascertained to be that of Sylvester Lamb, a man who had come from Georgia to buy a home. He had money. Governor Carr is asked to offer a reward for the murderer, as there is now no doubt as to a murder having been committed.

Hon. C. H. J. Taylor on Deck.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Jan. 17th, 94.—DEAR SIR:—Yesterday Mr. Morgan, a Democrat introduced a bill to repeal the separate "coach-law." I am here to do all in my power for the success of the bill. If you will remember my work in Missouri in this direction. I am sure you will hold up my hands with your editorials. For my Country and my Race, C. H. J. TAYLOR

The Nonsparell Club.

The first entertainment of the above named club took place on Thursday evening the 18th inst. Long before the hour of nine, the illuminated carriages began collecting the guests, and at nine o'clock quite a large assemblage of gentlemen and ladies had gathered at the spacious Richmond Hall, whose brilliant lights shone upon the rich costumes of the ladies and gentlemen in full dress. Among the invited guests were: Mr. and Mrs. John Murray, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Turner, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Quarles, Prof. and Mrs. J. E. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Randolph, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Ross, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Carter, James H. Hayes Esq., Messrs. Washington Fitzhugh, Harrison Holmes, Richard Johnson, representing the Orion Club; Andrew Walker, W. H. Hayes, representing the Brazilian Club; Wm. Miller, Henry Bolden, Samuel Miller, A. D. Price, W. H. James, W. C. Scott, W. A. Mitchell, A. B. Chapman, Burton Smith, Robert Brown, Lillian Forester, Edmund Stevens.

The following members composed the club: Mrs. John O. Lewis, Mrs. Channing Carter, Mrs. D. W. Davis, Mrs. Willie Hope, Mrs. J. L. Morris, Mrs. Daniel Robinson, Mrs. W. Henry Walton, Mrs. W. D. Payne, Miss M. E. Anderson, Cora and Sarah Brown, Emma Evans, E. B. Griffin, V. A. Holmes, M. B. Holmes, Mamie Neale, Kate G. Randolph, L. B. Wills.

Joy reigned supreme until 12 P. M., when the toasts of the supper-bell invited them to a heavily laden table, upon the upper end of which stood, not only, and at once returned to the ball-room, to resume their former pleasures, until the wee sma' hour of three, when the happy assemblage began to disperse for their several homes.

The officers are: Miss Eliza Griffin, President; Miss M. E. Anderson, Vice-President; Miss Lizzie B. Wills, Sec'y; Miss Mabel Brown, Treasurer; Miss Sarah Brown, Treasurer; Mrs. Jno. O. Lewis, Manager.

THE KENTUCKY SEPARATE CAR LAW.

[Louisville, Ky., American Baptist.]

Two years ago when the Separate Coach Law was recommended by the State Railroad Commission and was bitterly opposed by our people, one of the many arguments used against its passage was, that it would work a hardship upon the railroads of the State. But despite these protests and arguments it was passed. Our present Railroad Commission after a three months enforcement of the law, admit the force of this argument and now recommend that the law be so amended as to give them authority to suspend its enforcement in special cases so as to avoid this hardship and expense to some of the small or short railroads. There is no need for this amendment. The Railroad Commissioners now admit that it is defective, we are willing to be as generous as they are and suggest that the other part of it be repealed entirely.

The Colored People Defend Themselves—Ten White Men Dangerously Wounded.

Augusta, Ga., Jan. 19.—The riot at Rouse Ridge, near Jackson, S. C., twenty miles below Augusta, which the colored people are alleged to have made war upon the whites, was worse than at first reported.

Paul Green is dead. Rhett Green will die. Both are prominent white men. The trouble grew out of an attempt by the constable and posse to arrest a colored man named Judge. The man had intimation of the coming of the officers and had about forty of his friends in ambush about the house. Eight or ten whites were dangerously wounded. Several colored men were wounded in the pitch battle which occurred, but none were killed.

The officers were delayed by a white man, who they claimed they know, and there are strong suspicions that there will be a lynching in that vicinity.

COLORED FOLKS FOR AFRICA.

A Number of Them Sacrifice Their Property in Order to Raise Money to Go.

[Louisville, Ky. American Baptist.]

Rev. A. W. Puller who is now a pastor at Springfield, Ill., has accepted the principality of the Glasgow, Ky., Normal school, and will depart at once upon that work. If energy is not known amount to something Brother Puller will make that work a success.

MEMPHIS, TENN., Jan. 15.—The Negroes in this section of the State, principally those in Arkansas, have contracted the emigration fever again, and there is an exodus of black men to Africa. A despatch from Marianna, Ark., says that colored people in that neighborhood are sacrificing what little property they have with the intention of going to the land of the living.

One car load has passed through Brinkley, enroute for New York, whence they intend to sail for their ultimate destination. It seems as if the scheme has been worked up by colored agents, who have been canvassing that section for some time, for what purpose or in whose interest is not known. Many of the colored people owned small places, and several heads of stock, and were comparatively speaking, in good circumstances, but have sacrificed all for a few dollars to pay their way to New York. A prominent planter purchased nineteen hogs from one of these would-be emigrants for the small sum of \$5.

HE WANTED TO MARRY.

Another Roanoke Lyncher in Trouble.

Joe Varila, convicted of helping to burn the body of the Negro Thomas Smith, after he was hanged by the mob in Roanoke, and who was sentenced to pay a fine of \$100 and served one year in jail, was arrested while enroute to procure a license to marry Miss Annie Stevens today, and was locked up. He was absent when tried and convicted, and says that he can prove by one hundred people of Lexington that he was there during the riot. The story will be investigated.

Flight in Henrico Co.

A fight, which occurred Thursday, 18th inst., between two colored men on the Mechanicsville Turnpike, a short distance from the city, resulted in a serious cutting affray. Willie Cooper one of the combatants drew a knife and inflicted several ugly wounds upon his opponent's body. The wounded man was taken to the care of Dr. R. F. Tancil. His wounds are of a serious character. Cooper was arrested and lodged in the county jail.

THE FLORA BATSON CONCERT.

Madame Flora Batson Bergen sang at the True Reformers' Hall Wednesday and Thursday nights, 17th and 18th inst., for the benefit of the Third St. A. M. E. Church, to an overflowing house each night.

It was indeed a flattering tribute to her remarkable musical ability. She was rapturously encored again and again, and returned in a modest, unassuming manner to further please her sea of admirers.

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Madame Lena Vaughan Jackson played to the satisfaction of all present.

Madame V. A. Montgomery, of New York is one of the finest pianists to which we have ever listened. She is perfectly at home at the piano, as with an ease that is bewitching, she accompanied the star through her musical selections.

Madame Flora Batson Bergen is one of the most remarkable musical characters now before the American people, and the plaintive melody in her voice will remain in the memory of the tone of the commands to whom she has sung long after she has retired from the stage, and her soul has gone to that heavenly land where music is one of the most powerful demonstrations of God's glory.

A Certificate of Character.

To Whom It May Concern:—

I take pleasure in stating that S. W. Edward Robinson (formerly in my employ at 817 Broad St. Richmond, Va.) has been in charge of our passenger elevator ever since his residence in this city, and that he has our entire confidence and respect.—All rumors affecting his character are malicious.

ROBT. HAROLD, Manager for Ovington Brothers, 250, 252 Fulton St. Brooklyn, N. Y.

Nine Colored Men Killed in Georgia—A Dastardly Crime.

CHICAGO, ILL., Jan. 17.—A special to the Herald from Valdosta, Ga., says: A wholesale attempt at assassination at the turpentine distillery of McCloud and Young in Clinch county, is reported. Nine colored workmen were not shot while in camp. The attacking party had shotguns and Winchester rifles.

It is not yet known who formed the attacking parties party, but it is believed they were soldiers whose rights had been infringed on. Another theory is that the shooting was done by employees of rival firms, who have attempted to prevent the distillery being run.

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